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IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of Yasufumi YAHIRO et al.

Application No. 10/017,633

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WITH TERMINALS"

Art Unit: 2833

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Further to the Applicant's RCE filed on even date and in reply to the Final Office Action mailed December 11, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.